Special scheme for the backward classes in M.P.

†1670. SHRI JHUMUK LAL BHENDIA: SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any decision is being taken by Government for introducing special component scheme for the backward classes like tribal sub-plan and special component scheme; and
- (b) if so, whether Government are contemplating to open Ashrams/hostels at various levels for the educational upliftment of students of backward classes in Madhya Pradesh as has been done in the case of SCs/STs?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment is implementing a scheme under which assistance is given for construction of hostels for students belonging to Backward Classes. Rs. 10 lakh has been sanctioned to Madhya Pradesh under the scheme during 1998-99.

Specific area-based projects for selected tribal areas in Himachal Pradesh

- 1671. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government of Himachal Pradesh has sent any proposal to Government for specific area based projects for the overall development of selected backward tribal areas of the State;
- (b) if so, how many such cases have been received by Government from Himachal Pradesh during the last three years; and
 - (c) the action Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) No, Sir.

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(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Ongoing projects for Integrated Tribal Development in Madhya Pradesh

- †1672. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of ongoing projects of Madhya Pradesh Integrated Tribal Development;
- (b) the subsidy provided for each of these projects annually during the last two years;
- (c) the expenditure incurred, cut of the said amount, during the said period; and
- (d) the details of the valuation of these projects made by the Centre?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and shall be laid on the Table of the House.

Funds for the tribal welfare schemes

- 1673. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleasd to state:
- (a) the details of the funds granted to different States for the tribal welfare schemes during the last three years, year-wise, Statewise;
- (b) whether it is mandatory on the part of the State Governments to furnish details of the expenditure made out of the Central grants to the Central Government every year; and
- (c) if so, the details of the actual expenditure made by each State as per the details furnished?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) to (c) Statement showing the funds released to the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations in the last three

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